



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Public Health Program Specialist Supervisor (Health Equity Program Manager)

The Office of Health Equity is under the direction of the Office of Preventive Health and Health Equity and is responsible for the oversight of health equity activities for reducing health disparities and promote optimal health for our most vulnerable populations. The Program Manager will serve as a link and liaison between health and social services programs and the community to provide timely and effective response to needs and issues surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and other population health issues. This role is also responsible for coordinating the response efforts for addressing social determinates of health, creating community-clinical linkages, facilitating access to essential resources, and linking people to needed health information and services. This role requires an understanding of socioeconomic stressors, resource dissemination, health promotion and education strategies, and population health concepts.

Job Duties/Responsibilities

- Provide supervision of the day-to-day operations for programs, including management of staff.
- Identify existing barriers to population health for community engagement with necessary resources and supports.
- Implement appropriate policy, systems, and environmental change strategies to address community health needs.
- Mobilize support for addressing Social Determinants of Health.
- Facilitate the engagement of appropriate stakeholders to address community health needs.
- Provide culturally appropriate health education, key messaging, and health promotion programs on addressing health equity topics.
- Serve as liaison between underserved communities and the systems that provide care and population health programs.
- Increase access to supportive services (i.e. supplies, education, access to testing/screening, etc.)
- Increase community capacity to meet the health goals they have identified.
- Other duties as assigned.

Annual Salary Range: \$56,345.82 to \$88,040.35

Location(s): (1) Hinds County

Qualifications: A Master's Degree from an accredited four-year college or university in public health, health planning, health care administration, epidemiology, statistics, or biostatistics.

Special Experience: Employment must have been in a professional capacity in an area of work related to the functional responsibility of the division in which the position exists. In those

divisions where registered specialists provide the primary source of functional and technical knowledge for planning and accomplishing the mission of the division, the incumbent may also be required to be registered and experienced in that profession. Work experience must have included supervising and coordinating a variety of functions.

Preferred Qualifications: The required degree and/or experience must be related to program planning, community engagement, program implementation and evaluation, policy development and supervision. Previous successful community outreach is a plus. Demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and as a team is essential. Master's Degree preferred.